HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 615

By Hicks

A RESOLUTION to recognize Loretta Winstead, recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should specially recognize those estimable citizens who have dedicated their time and energies to helping others; and

WHEREAS, each year, 1.26 million Tennessee volunteers give over 134.5 million hours of community service, contributing \$3.1 billion to Tennessee's economy; and

WHEREAS, they are the backbone of our communities, and by giving their time and talents to fulfill needs that would otherwise go unmet, they embody the spirit of giving; and

WHEREAS, these individuals should be recognized, not only to appreciate their efforts, but also in the hope that it will encourage others to step up and make a difference; and

WHEREAS, Loretta Winstead is one such exemplary person, who is a recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award in recognition of her laudable commitment to her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Winstead is highly praised for her ability to organize community events, bringing an imitable level of enthusiasm, creativity, and experience that captivates others to volunteer or donate in their community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Winstead has organized key events at the First Baptist Church of Church Hill and Of One Accord Ministry and works with numerous community planning committees; and

WHEREAS, Loretta Winstead serves her community in several leadership roles, including vice chair for Of One Accord Ministry, chairperson for the Zone of 5 counties, board

member for Volunteer Blind Industries, and chairperson for the Church Hill Fall Festival planning committee; and

WHEREAS, a role model for women in her community, Ms. Winstead served as a camp director for Girl Scouts of America for two years, a leader for Girl Scout Troop 274, and first female president of Church Hill's Lions Club; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Winstead is a model citizen, and her commitment to helping others through volunteerism is representative of the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that that we honor Loretta Winstead for her outstanding community leadership, congratulate her as an esteemed recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.